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FOR: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
SEARCHING FOR RELATIONSHIPS
BETWEEN BASE SEQUENCES IN
GENES

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed October 2, 2003, Applicants request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.